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Mr. Michael J. Van Rassen graduated from the University of Toledo and was commissioned in the Ordnance Corps in 1985. He earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration from George Mason University in 1996. He had combat duty with the 82nd Airborne Division in Operation Just Cause as the logistics Planner/operator in the division assault command post and during Desert Storm as a Logistics Task Force S-3 attached to the 7th Special Operations Support Command (Provisional).

Mr. Van Rassen is currently serving as the Program Director for the Counter-Rocket, Artillery, Mortar (C-RAM) Program Directorate.

Mr. Van Rassen started the C-RAM effort in the summer of 2004 while as the Product Manager Air and Missile Defense Command and Control Systems (AMDCCS) and was named Army Product Manager of the Year in 2005. His Acquisition Corps assignments included: Product Manager AMDCCS, APM Special Programs, Lower-Tier Project Office, Huntsville, AL. While assigned to the Tank-Automotive Research and Development Center, Warren, Michigan, he served as the Deputy Program Manager for the DARPA Combat Hybrid Power System (CHPS) Program.

Mr. Van Rassen's military awards include: The Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (with Bronze Arrowhead), the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and the Senior Parachutist Badge (with Bronze Service Star). Civilian awards include the Commanders Award for Civilian Service and the Department of the Army's highest Civilian award, the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service. The C-RAM Program Directorate was recently awarded the 2010 US Army Acquisition Excellence Award in the Information Enabled Army category.